

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A digital picture signal processing apparatus
is disclosed, that comprises a picture processing means
for compressing a captured digital picture signal, and
5 a mode designating means for generating a signal that
designates a picture processing operation of the
picture processing means to a first mode or a second
mode, wherein when the first mode is designated, the
picture processing means generates first compressed
picture data of which the digital picture signal is
10 compressed by a non-inversible encoding method, and
wherein when the second mode is designated, the picture
processing means generates second compressed picture
data of which the digital picture signal is digitized
and the digitized picture signal is compressed by an
inversible encoding method.

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